

LOCAL NEWS.

Geo. Williams has been in town from his ranch this week.

Mr. Marvin Livingston has recently gone to work for L. L. Fuoss.

Miss Myrtle Dishman is visiting friends at the B & F or Fuoss Ranch.

Henry J. Lange, of Chicago, tarried over this week on his return from California to visit his brother, Louis Lange of the Vinyard Stock Farm.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Smith were in town Tuesday from their new ranch a few miles west of Will Ward's on Wagon Tire, some 35 miles west of town.

Jack Bailey returned last week Thursday from an extended eastern visit having visited the home of his boyhood in Nauvoo, Ill., also Chicago, Kansas City, and Oklahoma points.

J. W. Gamel returned last week, Thursday, from New York and other eastern markets where he purchased the spring and summer stock of dry-goods and clothing for the Joyce-Fruit Co.

Special Fiscal Agent George E. Moore of the U. S. Reclamation Service, arrived last night from Phoenix, Ariz., and will be engaged here for some time collecting operation and maintenance charges on the Carlsbad Project.

Harry Brainard returned to Carlsbad, Tuesday, after an absence of a year or more in Taos, this territory, where he conducted a saloon, which he has sold. He will move his family here and expects his household goods next week.

Two five horse power motor cycles were received last week by Water Superintendent Foster for use in the Carlsbad Project. These machines are more economical and speedier than horses and are used to travel from one end of the Project to the other, or from Lakewood to Malaga.

The Star Stables have recently purchased several fine horses and have ordered several nobby rigs so as to be able to supply the demand for up-to-date outfits. Mr. Yancy Kemp is one of the most accommodating and genial of livery men and will be found ready at all times to work for the best interests of his customers.

Monday morning the thermometer at the Reclamation Service weather bureau in Carlsbad registered ten above zero, which is the lowest it has fallen this winter, the coldest previously being Dec. 15 when it fell to thirteen above. Tuesday morning it registered seventeen above which is considered very cold for Carlsbad.

E. Hendricks returned Sunday from his eastern trip which he made to lay in stock for the spring and summer trade. While absent he heard Bryan in his famous lecture "The Prince of Peace," and says that thousands were turned away being unable to gain entrance. Mr. Hendricks had secured his ticket some days ahead for the lecture.

Hiram Dow, attorney at law, of Roswell, was in town Wednesday, looking up some matters in the probate court for a client. He will be remembered as a pupil of the Carlsbad schools in '97 when only ten years old, being a son of sheriff Dow who was killed while in office. He is making a success as a lawyer, a fact that his many boyhood friends in Carlsbad are pleased to know.

At 12-30 Monday morning occurred the marriage of S. E. Durham and Virgie Morris, both of Dayton at Hotel Schlitz, Judge Cunningham officiating. The young couple came down on a belated train Sunday night and immediately proceeded to awake the Probate Clerk O'Quinn and secure a license, then the groom to be, got the judge out and succeeded in accomplishing his purpose and returning to Dayton on the early morning train.

Jno. R. Wilson, a brother to Pearl Wilson, with his attorney, W. W. Gatewood, of Roswell, passed through Monday on the Pecos train for El Paso where Mr. Wilson goes without requisition and voluntarily to give himself up on a charge of indictment of the El Paso grand jury of "horse thief." Mr. Wilson is a son of son of "Uncle Bud" Wilson, of Roswell, formerly of Collin county, Texas, at one time one of the big cattle men of that state. "Johnny" Wilson says that there is nothing in the charge and that the indictment was gotten up simply to hold him up for blood-money. He is anxious to meet the charge and has already demanded trial at the earliest day possible. It is for this reason that he is now going to El Paso without requisition. Our information is that Johnny Wilson is one of the most energetic and active young stockmen of the Pecos Valley, and that this is the first time that he has ever been indicted or charged with wrong-doing. He is said to be a young man of strict sobriety, good habits and integrity. He can readily make bond anywhere in the Pecos Valley or in West Texas.

The Eddy Drug Co. changed hands this week, the transfer taking place last Monday. Messrs W. J. Barber and Rom Holt selling their stock in the concern to B. H. Schwerdtfeger and C. D. Church. While Mr. Schwerdtfeger is the president of the company, the active management will be in the hands of Mr. Church. Mr. H. H. Dilley will continue at the head of the jewelry department and Clarence Warner will be bookkeeper and W. K. Schwerdtfeger, clerk. The store is said by those who have traveled to be the finest in the southwest. The show cases are all of the finest while the soda fountain recently installed at a cost of \$3,000 should be seen to be appreciated. While the incorporation has changed hands the personell has not changed materially for Mr. Church and Mr. Dilley who have been with the business for years will continue.

Carlsbad was visited Wednesday by Mr. R. E. McDonnell of the firm of Burns & McDonnell, civil, haurralic and sanitary engineers, of Kansas City, Mo. While here Mr. McDonnell looked over the ground with the mayor and townboard to examine the ground and pass an opinion as to the cost of a first-class sewer system. Mr. McDonnell also was prepared to purchase the town spooq at a premium of about 5 per cent. The board met Wednesday and decided to at once publish a notice of election to vote bonds for sewers and some other improvements. The notices will appear next week and the election will be set for some time in March.

Maj. W. V. Johnson of Colorado, Tex., was in town Wednesday on business connected with the case of Sherer vs. Johnson in which Mrs. Sherer has obtained a finding by Judge Pope that, unless reversed by the supreme court of the United States, will throw the land sold to Mrs. Sherer by Maj. Johnson in 1906 back on the major's hands. It seems that Judge Pope holds that a woman must be protected in a contract and that if the decision stands that it will not do to sell property to women in the Pecos Valley. The full text of the decision will be published with the evidence if it can be secured.

The residence north of the old Blankenship place on the road to La Huerta was destroyed by fire last Sunday morning at about 4 o'clock. The fire alarm was turned in but the department was unable to render any aid on account of the building being too far away. The loss was about \$600 and as the building was unoccupied and no vacancy clause in the policy of insurance, the loss is total. The place was sold last year by Wm. Hegler who built it to Dr. C. S. Layton, of Michigan, the present owner.

FOR SALE: Three head of good, gentle work horses, phaeton, three wagons, fanning mill, See A. J. Crawford. 12-4t.

Chas. Harbert and wife returned from a visit to Texas, Wednesday.

Mrs. C. R. Brice left yesterday for Santa Fe to remain until after the legislature adjourns.

S. T. Bitting returned Monday from Texas and other points north. He says the cattle he shipped to Texas pastures are doing well.

The Knowles auto line is completed now to Carlsbad, the work on the road having been finished yesterday, and cars will commence running in a few days.

Mr. Clemens of the El Paso Herald was in town last week to get material for a write up. He will give the town about the best it has received in this line for some time.

D. P. Greiner, district manager of the Modern Woodmen of America, is in town for the purpose of organizing a new Charter Camp of the order. He is meeting with good success having now 25 charter applicants. The Modern Woodmen is the largest and cheapest fraternal insurance society doing business in the U. S. of America. The order now has over one million members holding benefit certificates.

A cutting affray between Mexicans occurred at the house of Juan Franco at about 5 o'clock Sunday morning in which a man named Gonzales was stabbed over the heart in the lung and is not expected to live, and another named F. Juanarez was also stabbed about the same way, but is doing well. The row occurred between Juan Franco and Rozalio Rodriguez. Gonzales and Juanarez in an endeavor to separate the combatants were both cut. G. P. Jackson and Al Montgomery followed Franco across the Pecos and arrested him Sunday about 9 a. m. he having tried to escape. Felio Lopez, a young man was also arrested for helping Franco to escape. Mr. Jackson brought Franco Lopez and Rodriguez to jail where they are held to await the outcome of the wounds on Gonzales and Juanarez.

Notice to Contractors.

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received up to and including Friday of the 5th of April, 1909, for the building of three bridges for the County of Eddy, to be located as follows: 1st Bridge located across the Pecos river on the section line running east from Artesia, New Mexico. 2nd Bridge located across the Pecos river, at Carlsbad, Eddy county, New Mexico, at the point where the bridge destroyed by high water formerly stood and where Green Street in said town of Carlsbad crosses the said Pecos River to what is known as Hagerman Heights. 3rd Bridge located across Black river at a point where the established public highway crosses said river in Section 10, Township 24 south, Range 28 east. Plans and specifications may be seen at office of probate clerk of Eddy county at Court-house in the town of Carlsbad.

The price to be charged therefor in the bonds of the county at par value or for cash shall not exceed for Bridge No. 1, \$12,500, Bridge No. 2, \$11,000, and Bridge No. 3, \$2,500. Such proposals shall be accompanied with bond of the undertaking with good and sufficient security of double the amount of the proposed cost of such bridge or bridges conditioned for the faithful execution of the work proposed and the carrying into effect of any contract made in reference thereto.

Bids will be received for the construction of said Bridges, collectively or separately, as contractors may desire. The County of Eddy reserves the right to reject any and all bids. At Carlsbad this 11th day of Feb. 1909. A. C. Heard, Chairman. Chas. W. Beeman, J. H. Graham, Board of Comm. Eddy Co., N.M. Attest: R. O. Quinn, Probate Clerk. 12-4t.

Farm and Garden Seed.

Seeding time will soon be here and we are better prepared than ever before to take care of the Farmer and Gardner at the planting season.

We do not guarantee seeds, but all of our Garden and Farm Seeds are the Best that the market affords and we take every precaution possible to have them fresh and true to kind. We buy in bulk and can give better prices than usual on this account. Parties wanting a quantity of Seed can save money by figuring with us, we have the goods and are here to sell them.

Roberts-Dearborne Hdw. Co.

A. G. SHELBY

SUCCESSOR TO
JAFFA-PRAGER & COMPANY

STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES.

HAY AND GRAIN

I SOLICIT YOUR PATRONAGE

All accounts due the Eddy Drug Co. up to and including the 11th day of Feb., are the property of Barber & Holt.

Mr. C. D. Church will remain in charge of the business, and will be authorized to receive all money due the old firm and receipt for same.

Harness-Saddles.

Our Harness and Saddle Department is now running overtime to supply the demands in this line—it is not hard to discover the reason—we make the best Saddle in New Mexico and the best Harness that money and skill can produce. Every strap that goes out of our house is guaranteed. If our goods are not as represented you can always get your money back. Try us.

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The entertainment at the Otis school house, Friday night, as well attended and highly interesting and as gotten up by the teacher, Miss Susie Hakes. The exercises were in commemoration of Washington and Lincoln. The closing song by the Misses Anna, Emma, Lena, and Elsie Stone, was spoken of as something far above the ordinary for a ladies quartette.

Mr. Ed. Dye, of Bartlettville, Okla. last week purchased from Craft, the Wright place or what is known to old settlers as the H. St. Jno Murche, 10 acres at \$52.50 or \$2,100 for the tract which is well improved, and has a good five-room house. This is one of the best bargains in the lower valley.

J. O. King, of Monahans, Texas, last Saturday, closed a deal with W. P. Mudgett for the latter's ranch and cattle. The ranch is near Red Lake, 25 miles East of Carlsbad, N. M., and is one of the best in the county and is favorably located in a good country. The cattle sold at \$16 a round and the ranch at \$1200.

Plumbing.

Our Plumbing Department is in first-class shape to take care of your needs in this line.

We have a complete stock of fixtures and fittings and a scientific plumber to do the work. All of our work is guaranteed. Let us figure with you.

Roberts-Dearborne Hdw. Co.

LOST—In post-office, a pocket-book containing \$29. A liberal reward offered for the return of same.

Address, R. J. Boatman.

FOR SALE—Sorghum cane, and kafir corn stalks, also cane seed. W. B. Wilson, Hopedale Ranch, East of Otis, R. R. 1. 2t.

You get the best service at the Star Stable.

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Dr. Doggett of San Antonio will preach Sunday at the Presbyterian church.

SEEDS! SEEDS!! SEEDS!!!

We sell them. Our catalogue tells about them. Get it. A postal will bring it. 14 tf.

ROSWELL SEED COMPANY

The song recital by Mrs. Fessenden at the M. E. church will be to start a fund to purchase a piano for the Woman's Club. The instrument will be kept in the library building.

EARLY ROAD BUILDING.

How a Wretched Pennsylvania Turnpike Was Improved.

The desire to speculate a hundred or more years ago was apparently as great as it is today. An example of this is shown by the organization of a company in 1792 to build a turnpike from Philadelphia to Lancaster, Pa., a distance of sixty miles. The charter was secured, and in ten days 2,285 subscribers made application for stock. As this was more than the law allowed, the names were placed in a lottery wheel, and 900 were drawn. With these subscriptions the work began. The road builders of that day know little or nothing regarding the construction of highways, and the ridiculous mistakes made on this occasion taught them some valuable lessons. Says Guy Elliott Mitchell in the American Cultivator. The land was condemned, the trees felled and the road-bed prepared. The largest stones that could be found were dumped upon it for a foundation, and upon this colossal base earth and gravel were spread. Then the work was declared complete, but when the washing rains came deep holes appeared on every hand, sharp stones protruded from the surface, and the horses received scratches and broken limbs as they sank between the boulders up to their knees.

The gigantic error of the road builder was then made plain. Indignation meetings were held, at which the turnpike company was condemned and the legislature blamed for giving the charter. Had it not been for an Englishman who offered to rebuild the turnpike on the macadam plan, as he had seen roads built in the "old country," improved road construction would have received a severe blow. The Englishman's proposition was accepted by the company, and he was successful in completing the Lancaster and Philadelphia turnpike road, which was then declared to be "the best piece of highway in the United States, a masterpiece of its kind."

Titled New Yorker Raises Poultry.

Poultry raising has become the chief diversion of Lady Craven, formerly Cornelia Martin of New York. It is fifteen years since the shy girl, then barely sixteen years old, faced a congregation of 2,000 persons in Grace church and went to the altar as the bride of the weak looking young Englishman. There were many that day who predicted trouble for the child wife, but Lady Craven has been one American wife in Europe to find happiness. At the Craven estate, Coombe abbey, in Warwickshire, she has one of the finest collection of hens, ducks, geese and turkeys in England. As a duck fancier she has taken many first prizes with her multicolored Mandarins, Carolinas and Bahamas. She also has won many firsts in the ornamental goose class with specimens of the gray Cootlops, the white feathered Sebastopol and the barred Magdalen. The proudest possession of Lady Craven's poultry yard, however, is the buff faced Wyandotte which she imported from this country. Lady Craven gives close personal attention to the care of her birds.